

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 -- 22. (canceled)

23. (currently amended) In combination with a
flashlight having a housing, a battery in the housing, a light
source on the housing, and a circuit between the battery and the
light source and including a switch actuatable to energize the
light source, a package comprising:
 packaging material enclosing the flashlight;
 an externally actuatable package switch separate from the
housing switch and carried on the packaging material;
 wiring connected between the package switch and the
circuit of the flashlight such that the package switch is
actuatable to energize the light source, the wiring connecting the
package switch in parallel to the housing switch; and
 releasable means including a plug on the housing and a
jack connected to the wiring and releasably engaged in the plug for
connecting the wiring to the circuit for disconnection of the
wiring and package switch from the circuit on separation of the
flashlight from the package.

24. (canceled)

1 25. (currently amended) The combination defined in
2 claim [[24]] 23 wherein the package switch is a momentary-contact
3 switch.

26 -- 28. (canceled)

1 29. (previously presented) The combination defined in
2 claim 23 wherein the packaging material wholly encloses the
3 flashlight and must be destroyed to remove the flashlight from the
4 package.

1 30. (previously presented) The combination defined in
2 claim 23 wherein the package switch is a momentary-contact switch.

31. (canceled)

1 32. (previously presented) In combination with a
2 flashlight having a housing, a battery in the housing, a light
3 source on the housing, and a circuit between the battery and the
4 light source and including a momentary-contact switch on the
5 housing and depressible into a first position to energize the light
6 source, a package comprising:

7 packaging material enclosing the flashlight and
8 elastically deformable in a region of the switch; and

9 an annular spring surrounding the housing inside the
10 packaging material at the switch and elastically compressible
11 through the packaging material to engage and depress the housing
12 switch into only the first position.

1 33. (previously presented) The combination defined in
2 claim 32 wherein the housing switch is depressible past the first
3 position into a second position in which it locks and maintains a
4 connection between the battery and the light source, the housing
5 and spring being constructed such that the spring cannot depress
6 the switch into the second position.

1 34. (previously presented) The combination defined in
2 claim 32 wherein the spring surrounds the housing by more than
3 270°.

1 35. (currently amended) The combination defined in
2 claim 32 wherein the spring has a pair of legs one of which is
3 fixed in the packaging material and the other of which is movable
4 in the packaging material between an outer position spaced [[form]]
5 from the one leg and in at most only light contact with the switch
6 and an inner position engaging the one leg and depressing the
7 switch into the first position.

1 36. (currently amended) In combination with a
2 flashlight having a housing, a battery in the housing, a light
3 source on the housing, and a circuit between the battery and the
4 light source and including a momentary-contact switch on the
5 housing and depressible into a first position to energize the light
6 source, a package comprising:

7 packaging material enclosing the flashlight and
8 elastically deformable in a region [[of]] near the switch; and
9 ~~a n-actuating element connected to~~ string, lever, or rod
10 extending between the packaging material and the switch, ~~projecting~~
11 ~~from outside~~ the housing, and actuatable by deflection of the
12 packaging material in the region only to shift the switch into the
13 first position.

37 -- 38. (canceled)

1 39. (currently amended) The combination defined in
2 claim ~~38 wherein the element includes~~ 36, further comprising a leaf
3 spring connected between the rod and the switch.

1 40. (currently amended) The combination defined in
2 claim 36 wherein the ~~element is a lever~~ is pivotal ~~ed on the~~
3 ~~packaging material or on the housing.~~

1 41. (currently amended) The combination defined in
2 claim 36 wherein the switch is shiftable past the first position
3 into a second position ~~in which maintains~~ maintaining energization
4 of the source from the battery, the switch being constructed such
5 that repeated shifting into the second position disrupts the
6 energization and turns off the source.

1 42. (previously presented) In combination with a
2 flashlight having a housing, a battery in the housing, a light
3 source on the housing having a light-output opening, and a circuit
4 between the battery and the light source and including a momentary-
5 contact switch on the housing and depressible into a first position
6 to energize the light source and project light from the opening, a
7 package comprising:

8 packaging material enclosing the flashlight and
9 elastically deformable region of the switch;

10 an externally actuatable package switch separate from the
11 housing switch and carried on the packaging material;

12 wiring connected between the package switch and the
13 circuit of the flashlight such that the package switch is
14 actuatable to energize the light source; and

15 means including a body ~~[[fixed]]~~ pivotal on the housing
16 in alignment with the light-output opening for deflecting,
17 reflecting, or refracting light emitted by the source.

43. (canceled)

1 44. (previously presented) The combination defined in
2 claim 42 wherein the packaging material has a transparent portion
3 extending between the source and the body.